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Serial Nos. 637, 64
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ter references.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. Eight

Part B for August 19.

SUBJECT.

Maximum prices for imported rice

G. R. S. III—1]

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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File No. /

FILE HEADING.

Arrangements for sale of rice to the public retail in the Bangalore city

From The Food Controller in Mysore

No. 12308 Dated 24/25. 6. 19 Received 25. 6.

Diary No. 2127 | Enclos. One Spare Copies. - | Serial No. 63

A BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Has refce to G.O. No. G 28099-112/P.P. 136-18-622 in June 1919 directing the discontinue of the issue from Govt depots & also the sale of Burma rice at ce ales. Submits for the sanction of Govt a scheme of a rangts contained for sale of Burma & other rice in t

NOTES AND ORDERS.

to the public in the Bangalore city & a its adoption in other places with the - cessary modifications.

The rice merchants of the T. - per - Bangalore city presented a pe

General and Revenue Secretariat.

P. P File No. 134 of 1918-19

Serial No.

The Dewan directs to ... Scheme - The Connected file with the Food Controller's remarks on the petition is handed to this file - Another petition from the merchants of Nedumangad & the report thereon - Submitted

Mg

6/6/19

Examined

26-6-19.

2 The arrangements suggested by the F.C. after consultation with the Asst. Resident & merchants may be approved. They are on the lines discussed & approved at the last meeting of the Food Supply Committee also.

Dewan

27/6/19

3 Examine & send the papers with the Malkan

4 Approved

5 Issue the max prices which the Resident may be addressed to fix & approved in the circular that may be issued

7/6

6 Draft post up. Orders sc

DEWAN'S OFFICE.
Recd. on JUN 27 1919
Reg. No. C 267

General and Revenue Secretariat. | P. P File No. 134 of 1918-19

Serial No.

(printed)

As orders are instructed by Chief Secy 27/6/19

regarding the issues noted on the margin of the draft

Mg 27/6/19 T. Vasudeva 27-6-19

640 To

The Food Controller in Mysore President Bangalore city Municipality

Comptroller to Govt no. G. 28865-89 28.6.19

Sanctions the scheme of arrangements for the sale of rice in retail to the public and requests the Food Controller to notify the arrangements for the information of the public.

Draft Asst 28/6/19

& draft issued & file resumed with reference to the Dewan's orders in para 5 of the note

Mg 28/6/19

Mg 30/6/19

11) Chief Secy

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12)

Asst Mg 7-7-19

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

P.P File No. 134 of 191 8-9

Serial No.

652 To

The First Asst Resident
no. Pol 1 & 2. 7. 19

Requests to be favoured with the views of the Hon'ble the Resident in the matter of prescribing maximum prices in ~~addition~~ addition to the taking of a security deposit from the retail shop-keepers and states that this will be possible only if the same are prescribed for the C & A Station.

Letter no C 164 dated 2. 7. 19 from

653 the Asst Controller
With ref to SC 640 Rs forwards for information an O.M which he is issuing to give sufficient publicity to the arrangements.

13) Submitted for perusal

Bkk 2/7

Chief Secy

Dewan

14 Sep

Hon 3-7-19

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Hon 4/7

J. R. S. III-2]

General and Revenue Secretariat. | PP File No. 134 of 1919.

Serial No. 660

From

The Food Controller in Mysore

No. 409 & 4.7.1919

In Contn of sl no 653,

Submits further details of the Scheme for distribution of Rice in the Bangalore city and requests sanction to the establishment required for 4 departmental shops each costing Rs 46.

15 Subd for orders

25.7.19

Chief Secy. 6.7.19

16 May be approved

Dewan

17 Approved

8 Issue orders accdy

Draft prepd

Secy

20 Issue

8/7/19

General and Revenue Secretariat.

M. File No. 134 of 1919

Serial No.

663 To

The Food Controller
in Lhyse
- Comptroller to Govt
No. G. 506-7 of 8.7.19
Sanctions the establishment
costing Rs 46 per mensum for each
shop refd to in Sl no 660.

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CHIEF SECRETARIAT.
POLITICAL BRANCH.
22 JUL. 1919

664 (a) From the ~~Resd~~ A. Resident
No. 5650 of 18.7.19
With refce to Sl 652 forwards
a copy of letter of 16.7.19 from the
Collector of Sta & states that
the Harbour the Resident is disposed
to agree with the Collector in the
matter.
21 Subd
leg
21/7/19 Chief Secy 21.7.19

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2 The views of the Resd may be
Communicated to A.C.

Dewany
23 leg
25.7.19

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24/7/19

2nd 28/7/19 Draft put up
leg
28/7/19

28-7-19

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE.
Received on JUL 22 1919
Reg. No. 557

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G. R. S. III-2.

General and Revenue Secretariat. | P. P File No. 134 of 191 8

Serial No. 666

To

The Food Controller
in Mysore
No. G. 2334 G - 28.7.19.

I do for information Copy of letter no 5650 referred to in 8(no. 664.

B.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT
II
POLITICAL BRANCH.
30 JUL. 1919

670

From the above - No 2472 G 30.7.19
with refee to the above ~~fee~~
~~circle~~ states that the question of fixing maximum prices for unpolished rice was considered at the last Supplies Committee when it was resolved that it was unworkable in practice -
I do Submit for perusal.
Yes
1/8/19

The papers with, if approved, are needed

Chief Sec

Record Room
6-8-19

B.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT
II
POLITICAL BRANCH.
4 - AUG. 1919

NOTE—Contn. sheet.

12308 POLITICAL BRANCH. 26 JUN. 1919 5 JUN 1919

Office of the Food Controller and
Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore

Dated Bangalore, 24th June 1919

REGISTRY NO. 2127/

K. Matthan, Esq., B.A.,
Controller & Director
of Civil Supplies in Mysore.

19 -19 SECT. FILE SERIAL NO. P 134 08 622

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore.

With reference to Government Proceedings No. G.28099-112/P.134-18-622 dated 18th instant directing that the issue of gi from Government depots may be stopped with effect from the th instant and that Burma rice may be sold to the public at st price instead of at concession rates, I have the honour to state that the arrangements for the Bangalore City were discussed by me with the Honorary President and the Chief Officer and subsequently at a meeting with merchants and others interested. ~~A copy of the proceedings of the meeting is herein enclosed.~~

2. The main points are the following:-

(1) The City requires 1,000 tons of rice. (My own estimate is somewhat higher - about 1,250 tons, as people from neighbouring towns and villages also make considerable purchases in Bangalore City).

(2) In order to prevent stocks in the City being drawn off to the Civil & Military Station, it is necessary that the Station should have its requirements supplied on the same scales as in the City. (I estimate that the Civil & Military Station will require 750 tons of rice. In addition to 200 tons of Burma

Burma rice, 200 tons of Bengal rice and 50 tons of Delta rice now arranged to be supplied to the Civil & Military Station, 300 tons more of Burma rice will have to be given if a sufficientl large allotment is given by the Foodstuffs Commissioner).

(3) As supplies of local rice are getting exhausted and all imports are under control, the needs of the upper and middle classes as well as of the poorer classes will have to be provided for. This requires that arrangements should be made for sale of imported rice at a large number of places - from 70 to 100. It is not possible to have so many departmental shops. The sale of the rice has therefore to be entrusted to merchants under strict control.

(4) The scheme of control suggested is that the rice should be supplied at wholesale rates to a large number of retailers, whose weekly requirements will be estimated beforehand. In order to prevent clandestine disposal not more than one week's supply will be given at a time. The issue price to the retailer and the retail price will be fixed by the Food Controller for each consignment - the retail price being fixed so as to yield a profit of not more than eight annas a palla. The retailers will not sell more than 50 seers to any individual (100 seers was the quantity suggested at the meeting, but this may, I think, be reduced to 50 seers) and for all sales in excess of five rupees' worth, the signature of the purchaser should be taken in the retailer's account book. As a guarantee against mal-practices, a deposit of five rupees a palla for the quantity allotted for each week, but subject to a minimum of Rs. 50, will be taken from each retailer, who will also be required to give a written mutchalika (in a prescribed printed form) agreeing to abide by these conditions and to the deposit being forfeited in case of infringement. (The deposit proposed at the meeting was 3 rupees a palla, but I propose to raise this to 5 rupees).

(5) In addition to the above a few test shops worked departmentally will also be opened, to act as a kind of check on the transactions in the retail shops.

3. The above are the main points discussed and settled at the meeting held on the 19th instant. There are a few other points which I may here touch upon

The 1,000 tons of imported rice to be supplied to the City is proposed to be 600 tons of Burma rice and 400 tons Delta Nellore rice. (Some superior Bengal rice and some Mysore rice will also be imported and be available for the higher classes and go towards the 1,250 tons which I consider to be necessary for the City). The delta rice is practically the same price as Burma rice, and it is therefore considered inadvisable to issue delta rice and Burma rice to the same shops. The delta rice is therefore proposed to be sold only through Co-operative Societies and through the importers themselves, who will be required to open five or six depots for the purpose. I should explain that this is a matter in regard to which there is some discontent and jealousy on the part of other merchants. They ask - very plausibly - why the importers should be allowed the retail profit as well as the profit on import and why they (other merchants) should not be allowed to participate in the profits of retail sale? The answer is, first, that in this matter it is the interest of the consumer rather than of the merchant that has to be considered, and it is undoubted that consumers have a much better chance of getting the rice at proper prices from the importers rather than from other merchants who have to buy from the importers. Secondly, the importers are the merchants who undertake to get rice at rates most favourable to the consumers. The merchants who are unsuccessful in getting the business on account of their

their rates being higher cannot reasonably expect to participate in the business subsequently. They have no legitimate ground for complaint, since, if more than one merchant offers the same rates we always break up the quantity and distribute it equitably. A fear has been expressed that if importers are allowed to sell retail, they may sell away some portion of the grain clandestinel at higher rates. But this is a thing which other merchants will also do equally with the importers if they get the chance. It will not be allowed, but prevented as far as possible as the quantity to be sold by the importers by retail will be strictly limited, and they will be required to give daily reports of sales and balance of stock and the stocks will be checked by the Food Inspectors. Moreover owing to keen competition between the merchants who tender for the supply of delta rice, the accepted rates leave the importers a very small margin of profit - much less than the eight annas a bag which Government contemplate. And when there is great difficulty in securing railway waggons even with priority certificates - as is the case at present - there is actually the risk of loss under interest on the outlay and on account of goods being damaged. It is only fair that they should be allowed to sell a portion at least of their imports by retail. Out of 1,000 tons of delta and Nellore rice per month imported from the Madras Presidency under the existing arrangements, 150 tons are required for the Kolar Gold Field, 50 tons at least have to be given to the Civil & Military Station and I propose giving 400 tons to the rest of the State - for people who require rice of a better quality than Burma rice. There remains 400 tons or 5,400 bags for sale in the Bangalore City. Of this one-third or 1,800 bags will be sold through approved Co-operative Societies or other public organisat and the balance through the importers themselves. In this manner the importers will be enabled to sell by themselves 267 tons out of 1,000 tons - or a little more than one-fourth of the total

total quantity imported into the State.

4. I have the honour to request that the Government may be pleased to accord their sanction to the arrangements outlined above for the Bangalore City and also to their adoption in other places with such modifications as may be considered necessary in consultation with the local authorities.

5. The question whether in addition to the taking of a security deposit, it would be practicable or desirable to prescribe maximum prices for the sale of Burma and Delta rice for the Bangalore City, as has been done in the City of Bombay, is engaging my attention. This will not be possible if prices in Rangoon continue to fluctuate so greatly as in the past two months. Another difficulty that I foresee is that unless maximum prices are also ~~fixed~~ prescribed for the Civil and Military Station, the grains may be drawn off to the Civil and Military Station.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servan

Food Controller & Direct
of Civil Supplies in Myso

The Honorary President, Bangalore City Municipality, and the Food Controller in Mysore met the grain merchant of the Bangalore City at 6 P.M. on Thursday the 19th June 1919, at the Municipal Grain Depot in New Tharag pet to receive suggestions for making better arrangements for the distribution of food grains in the City There were as many as two hundred merchants present, besides many poor and middle class citizens.

In the first place there was a free discussion about the continuance of the Grain Ticket system and it was agreed that the use of tickets should be done away with. As a necessary consequence of this change it was also agreed that there should be no sale of grain at concession rates.

It was then explained that the Government had passed orders that ragi could not be issued from Government Depot from the 20th instant and that the Burma rice would be continued to be sold at the Government Depots till the end of August 1919, but without concession rates.

The merchants were then questioned as to the best mode of distributing for sale the imported rice so as to minimise the chances for unauthorised sales. The Chief Officer explained to them the scheme though of to issue about 1,000 tons of rice of all varieties to the City merchants for sale to local consumers and after much discussion the following points were agreed to:-

(1) The total quantity of rice to be issued for sale in the City for a month to be about 1,000 tons.

(2) Similar quantity of rice should be issued to the Civil & Military Station, Bangalore, to prevent surreptitious export of rice to that place from the City from out of the rice allowed for consumption in the City.

(3) The quantity of rice allowed for the City should be distributed among 70 to 100 shops which will be given written permits by the Honorary President or the Chief Officer to sell the same on conditions noted below:-

(4) No supply for more than a week should be issued at a time to each shop, but the shop may take the supply twice a week or more frequently so as not to exceed the quantity allotted to it per week.

(5) Each shop-keeper should deposit a sum at the rate of Rs.3 a palla for the number of pallas allowed to him for a week, subject to a minimum of Rs.50.

(6) He should maintain accounts of the receipt, sale and balance of rice. He should sell the rice to local consumers only, and not to other merchants and whenever the sale of rice is for more than Rs.5/- he shall obtain the signature of the purchaser in his account book. He shall not sell more than 100 seers at a time.

(7) The price to be paid by the shop-keeper and the price at which he should sell the rice will be fixed by the Food Controller. The latter will not be higher than what would give the shop-keeper a

ofit of eight annas per pall

(8) The deposit or any portion of it will b liable to be forfeited to Government at the dis cretion of the Honorary President or the Chief Officer for breach of any of the above conditio

(9) There will be a few Government Depots c blished as a test measure to deal in rice at t rate as prescribed for the other shops.

(10) Each of the importers will also allowed to have a few retail shops as othe licensed shop-keepers.

Food Controller & Director
of Civil Supplies in Mysore

G.R.S.' VI-71]

SUBJECT.....

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Diary No. of letter replied to.....

Section
File No. M 134-7
Serial No. 62

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Proceedings of the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

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Date of issue 28.6.19

Signed by Mr. A.V.R

Read.— Gar abs no G 28 099-112 P.P 134-18-622 of 18th June 1919 praying that the issue of ragi from Gar depots be discontinued and that Burma rice be sold to the public at cost price with lead at concession rates.

Order Thereon:— No.
(2) Letter no 1230 8 of the 24/25th June 1919 from the Food Controller in Mysore submitting ~~a scheme~~

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i Printed? Yes.

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iii published in the Gazette English part? Yes

iv translated? Yes

v placed at the disposal of the press? Yes

vi published in the Gazette Kannada part? Yes

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~~arrangements for~~ consultation
with the President - Bangalore
by Mr Cornish & the merchants, a scheme
~~for Bangalore~~ - for the ~~sale~~ sale
by rice in retail within
public - at ~~Bangalore~~ and
obtaining sanction to the adoption of the
same for the Bangalore city
in other places also with
necessary modifications -
(Copies enclosed)
Order

Sanctioned.
The Food Controller is requested to ~~give~~ notify the
arrangements for the information of the public.

Fr Chelmsford

List of enclosures.

To The Food Controller in Mysore

The President - Bangalore city Mr Cornish

The Commissioner of

G. R. S. VI—G/32]

SUBJECT.....

Section M. 134-18
File No. M. 652
Serial No.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT
( )
, the 191 .

Date of issue 2nd July 18

Signed by Mr. C. S. B Iyer

No. P&C 1/Conf 3

To The J. A. Resident

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith, for the information of the Hon'ble the Resident, a copy of Jail order No 9 2886 S. 87 P. C. 34-18-640 of 28th June 19 regarding the arrangements for the sale of rice in retail to the public in the Bangalore City.

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No. G 169
SECRETARIAT
POLITICAL BRANCH.
JUL 1919

Office of the Food Controller and
Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore,
Bangalore, dated the 2nd July 1919.

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From 00140

K. Matthan, Esq., B.A.,
Food Controller & Director
of Civil Supplies in Mysor

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of Mysore.

ir,

With reference to Government Order No. G.28865-8/P.P. 134-18-640 dated the 28th June 1919, sanctioning a scheme of arrangements for the sale of rice in retail to the publi in the Bangalore City, I have the honour to enclose herewit for the information of Government an official memorandum wh I am issuing. This will be published in the Gazette and is also being sent to Newspapers for favour of publicity being given. Printed copies in English and Kanarese will also issued to the general public in Bangalore.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

Food Controller and Director.

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No. 404

Office of the Food Controller and Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore,

Bangalore, 3rd July 1919.

From

K. Matthan, Esq., B.A.,

Food Controller and Director

of Civil Supplies in Mysore

To

S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,

Chief Secretary to the Govt. of

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No.168 dated 2nd July 1919, I have the honour to submit herewith further details of the scheme for distribution of rice in the Bangalore City, settled in consultation with the Chief Officer of the Bangalore City Municipality. I request that sanction of Government to the establishment required for the departmental shops as noted in the memo may be kindly sanctioned.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

Matthan

Retail shops for the sale of Burma rice.

For the sale of Burma rice, the Chief Officer has selected 39 retail shops distributed all over the City including four co-operative societies. For a week 1,040 pallas of Burma rice will be issued to these shops.

Departmental shops.

There will for the present be 4 departmental shops under the control of the Chief Officer. Two of these will be in New Tharagupet, one in Old Tharagupet and one in Akkipet. Each of these shops will be supplied with 30 pallas of broken rice and 25 pallas of whole rice per week. The quantity of broken rice will be increased if there should be demand for the same. The establishment noted below is considered necessary for each of these departmental shops.

(1) One Clerk	on Rs.25	per	mensem	
(2) One Measurer	on Rs.12	"	"	
(3) Depot rent	Rs. 8	"	"	
(4) Contingency	Re. 1	"	"	
Total	Rs. 46	"	"	for each shop

Imported Indian rice.

For the present the distribution of delta rice among the several co-operative societies will be as follows:-

(1) Malleswaram Co-operative Society	70	pallas	per week
(2) Basavangudi " "	70	"	" "
(3) City " "	70	"	" "
(4) Ulsoorpet Seetharama Mandiram "	30	"	" "
(5) Bhavasara Kshatriya " "	30	"	" "
(6) Gangammachery " "	10	"	" "
Total	280	"	" "

The importers (Messrs. Appana Ramachandra Rao & Co.) will be required to open shops as follows:-

(1) Nagarathpet ...	1
(2) New Tharagupet...	2
(3) Old Tharagupet...	1
(4) Basavangudi ...	1
(5) Chamarajpet ...	1
	7 shops

The total issues in these shops per day will be

(b) Burma broken rice through departmental shops.

Retail price Per rupee 7 seers.

(c) Indian rice

Delta raw rice 5 seers a rupee

" Boiled rice $4\frac{7}{8}$ seers a rupee

Note:- The stock of Burma rice at the above price is expected to last for another month. When this is over for the next consignment will be fixed and notified.

Z. Muddukrishnappa

For Food Controller & Dir

Bangalore,
3rd July 1919.

The President, City Municipal Council, Bangalore,
" in continuation of this office O.M. No.121 of 2-7
The Officer in charge, Provincial Grain Depot, Bangalor

BJECT.....

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Section
File No. M. 134
Serial No. 663

ıeral and Revenue Secretariat

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Proceedings of the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

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ɔe of issue..... 8/7/19

ned by.....

Read.— Govt order no. G 28865-87 R P 134-18-640 dt 28th June 1919 Sanctioning a scheme of arrangements for the sale of rice in retail to the public in the Bangalore city.

(2) Letter no 409 dt 3rd July 1919 from the Food Controller in ~~Order Thereon:— No.~~ regard Submitting further details of the scheme sanctioned in the G.O. read above. ~~Replied in Consultation~~

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4 departmental shops
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with the scheme -

one clerk Rs 25 per
one Measure Rs 12 —
Depot-Rent Rs 8 —
Contingency — 1 —
Rs 46 per
Measure
for each sho

Order.

Sanctioned.

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R Chatterjee

To
The Food Controller &
the Comptroller W Govt —

List of enclosures.

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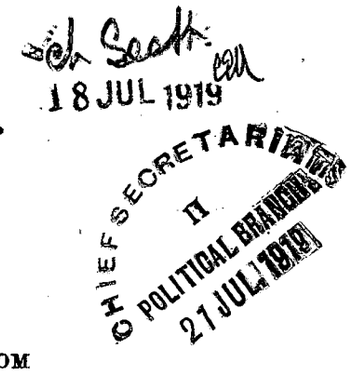

R. O. 2.—R. P. B.—2-1919.—2,000.

No. 5853/Miscl

DIARY NO. 1320

FROM

C.T.C.PLOWDEN,
MAJOR ~~EXHXSXJAMES~~, I.A.,
FIRST ASSISTANT TO THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

The Chief Secretary to the Government
of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Dated Bangalore, 18th July 1919.

SIR,

With reference to your letter No. Pol. 1, dated the 2nd July 1919, regarding the arrangements for the sale of rice in retail to the public in the Bangalore City, I am directed to forward, for information, a copy of a letter No. 4830, dated the 16 July 1919, from the Collector, Civil and Military Station of Bangalore.

I am to add that the Hon'ble the Resident is disposed to agree with the views of the Collector in the matter. If, however the Durbar desire closer cooperation between the city and the Civil and Military Station Mr. Cobb will gladly reconsider the position on hearing again from you to this effect.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Civil and Military Station, I

the Hon'ble the Resident in I

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in other shops. In any case I do not think that in practice

maximum price can be enforced except where supervision is cont

G. R. S. VI—G/32]

SUBJECT.....

Diary No. of letter replied to..... .....

Section
File No. M.134-10 666.
Serial No.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

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No. 12382 Genl.

Date of issue 28/7/19

Signed by M A.R.

To The Food Controller
= Mesopotamia -

Sir,

With reference to para 6 of your letter no. 12308 of 11th June 1919 on the matter of fixing maximum prices for the sale of Burma & Madras rice I am directed to forward herewith for your information a copy of letter no. 5650 of

No. 2472
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Office of the Food Controller and
Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore,
ore, dated 30th July 1919.

DIARY NO. 2086.

od Controller & Director
of Civil Supplies in Mysore.

To

S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of Mysore.

With reference to your letter No.G.2334/P.P.134-18-6 dated the 28th July 1919, regarding the fixing of maximum prices in the Civil and Military Station, I have the hon to state that the question of fixing maximum prices for imported rice was considered at the last Food Supplies mittee meeting when the Committee resolved that this wa unworkable in practice. An extract from the Committee resolution is submitted for the information of Governme

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

Food Controller & Directo
of Civil Supplies in Mysor

Proceedings of a meeting of the Central Food Supplies Committee held at Bangalore on Tuesday the 15th July 1919 at 8 A.M.

5. Arrangements sanctioned by Government for the sale of

Resolution (i) The present arrangements were discussed the committee is of opinion that it is not desirable to fix m mum prices for Burma rice as such a system cannot be worked practice.